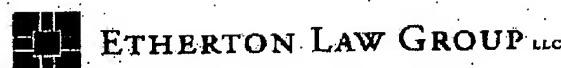


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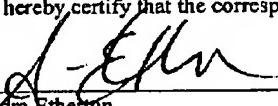
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## RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF PANEL DECISION

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Dear Sir:

This is a response to a Notice of Panel Decision from Pre-Appeal Brief Review dated November 2, 2007, in which the Panel denied our request for a Pre-Appeal Brief review for submitting an insufficient fee. The factual summary follows:

An Office Action for the above-identified application was dated July 2, 2007, with a shortened statutory response period set to expire three months from that date. Three months later, on October 2, 2007, Applicants timely submitted a Notice of Appeal, Request for Pre-Appeal Brief Review, and Statement Accompanying the Request for Pre-Appeal Brief Review, however Applicant inadvertently submitted a fee of \$250 instead of \$255.

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Applicant received a Notice of Panel Decision from Pre-Appeal Brief Review dated November 2, 2007, denying the review for failure to submit \$5. Consequently, a charge form is enclosed for \$235, which covers the \$5 balance due, as well as a two-month extension fee. Applicants believe that the application is in form for review, and requests that it be reviewed prior to Appeal.

Applicant's attorney has tried unsuccessfully to reach Tracie Hargrove, the signer of the Notice of Panel Decision, to determine if the present reply is sufficient. If additional papers or fees are due, or if the extension fees can be refunded, Applicant's attorney respectfully requests that she be notified promptly to rectify the situation.

Respectfully submitted,



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